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UBC Fees Double While Students Mourn



VANCOUVER (CUP)—For University of B.C. students, another funeral was the appropriate end for a week of devastating news.

While they mourned the death of wisdom outside the university's administration building Jan. 19, the Board of Governors finalized its decision to double tuition fees over a three year period. It will start with a 33 per cent increase next September.

The Board also decided to introduce differential fees for international students in two years.

The previous evening, the university's senate set a ceiling of 3,250 on first year students—down 400 from this year's total enrolment.

And throughout the week, UBC students and their counterparts throughout the province heard more rumors of social Credit plans to kill the grant portion of student aid packages.

So students marked the bleak events with a funeral for wisdom. The ceremony emulated a similar event two years ago, when UBC students mourned the passing of "What used to be a great university."

"We did not expect more deaths," campus chaplain George Hermanson told 250 mourners. Dressed in black ceremonial robes, he threw dirt on a coffin that had earlier marched around campus.

The week's events were among the first visible casualties of the Social Credit government's decision to cut the operating budgets of post secondary institutions by six per cent next year. Funds were not increased at all this year.

For UBC, the drastic measures mean an $18 million shortfall next year. Enrolment limits and increased fees will account for $12.5 million of the deficit.

A UBC administrator called the enrolment restrictions pragmatic. "We know there's a dam bursting ahead, we know the water is coming," he said. Enrolment jumped 13.5 this year.

Another major casualty of Socred cutbacks is the David Thompson University Centre in Nelson, which will permanently close its doors at the end of this term.

Over the next few weeks, B.C.'s two other universities also will increase tuition

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New CFS Chairperson Elected

KINGSTON (CUP)--Monika Turner, a graduate student of anthropology at Hamilton's McMaster University, has been elected the 1984-85 chairperson of the Canadian Federation of Students-Ontario (CFSO).

Turner won a clear majority on the first ballot on the final day of CFSO's recent meeting at Queen's University in Kingston.

In an interview after her election Turner said she plans to follow in the footsteps of the current chairperson, Ian Nelmes, by playing a facilitating and mediting role in the federation.

Turner said she hopes the federation acting in concert with other groups can influence the report of the recently appointed Bovey Commission on Ontario universities by raising public awareness of the commission's mandate.

"It's public opinion that moves the Ontario government," Turner said.

The three-man Bovey Commission was appointed Dec. 13 to develope a plan of action to reshape the province's university system.

Turner said she would like to increase women's participation in the federation. She said that although women make up at least 50 per cent of the undergraduate population at Ontario universities, their participation in student affairs has dropped at all levels.

"What I mean by affirmative action is not tokenism but rather that active women join (CFSO and other groups) not because of what they are, but because of what they can contribute as individuals," she said.

Turner said she thinks CFSO can be useful to community college students by becoming more involved in issues at the local level.

She also said she wants to put more emphasis on committee work in CFSO and encourage active regional participation. Ontario is divided into four regions Southwest, Toronto, East and north. CFSO members from those regions meet separately throughout the year and at provincial conferences.

Turner defeated Carleton University student and current CFSO treasurer NIck Parker for the chair's postion. She takes office in June.

OTTAWA SCHOOLS SUFFER LOSSES

OTTAWA (CUP)—Ottawa's three posf secondary institutions lost a lot of money last year—through theft.

The latest victim is the Carleton University student association, to the tune of $12,000 stolen in cash and bus passes. But Algonquin College and the University of Ottawa student associations are still dealing with law suits over embezzlements of at least $500,000 and $40,000 respectively.

The Carleton University student association fell victim to Christmas Eve safecracking. Thieves netted $2,161 in cash and $12,600 worth of Ottawa bus passes.

The crime was not reported until Jan. 3 as vacationing CUSA officials could not be reached to confirm the losses.

Across town at Algonquin College, school president Brian Ash revealed at least $500,000 was misappropriated by a college administrator in 1980-81.

The money, tuition fees for Society of Management Accountants' examinations, was discovered missing during the 1982 internal audit. At the time, the administrator thought responsible was fired and the Society launched a civil suit against him.

But recent reports say an additional $2 million may have also been misappropriated from provincial grants to Algonquin College. These rumours have not yet been confirmed nor denied by the school or the police.

And big bucks are missing at yet another Ottawa school.

A university of Ottawa student council audit revealed at least $40,000 in missing funds earlier this fall.

An administrative secretary, Carole Mercier, was fired and later charged with embezzlement by Ottawa police. Investigators now fear the amount stolen may be much higher.

The trial date is set for April.

Vandalism Vomiting Prompt Pub Closure

THUNDER BAY (CUP)—

Increased vandalism, rowdy behaviour and public vomiting prompted the student union executive at Lakehead University to impose a sudden two-day closure of the pub.

And student union president Peter Harper promises further closures if the "irresponsible action of both the pub staff and their patrons," don't soon desist.

Student union vice president Tim Sinclair complained more and more students are vomiting, caused by a new practice where patrons chug down a mixture of any drinks remaining on the tables at closing time.

Harper fears the recent rash of broken windows, damaged washroom fixtures and alcohol related violence may cause the administration to close the pub—permanently.

"This practice tends o make people sick," Sinclair said.

Harper defended the autocratic closure of the pub, arguing the administration could close it at any time. "I hope this sparks the attention that something has to be done right away," he said.

"There seems to be an anarchistic theme to all this," lamented one student. "Students have to play it cool as well as student employees."



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U of A Centre Split Over Role

EDMONTON (CUP)—Two rival factions at the University of Alberta women's centre are split over whether the centre should take a stand on political issues.

Anne McGrath criticized the centre about its "non-radical approach in a recent edition of Enragee, the centre's newsletter.

She said the centre has refused to take a stand on issues such as sexual harassment and sexism, although individual members have organized on certain issues.

Women's Centre chair Sheryl Jackson said the centre can't afford "to alienate members and potential members by adopting official policy stands on women's issues."

Jackson said the centre is vulnerable since it depends on the student union and the government for space and funding.

Women's centres at other campuses have come under attack this year for being too political. The University of Saskatchewan Students Union closed down the women's directorate, citing, among other complaints, its pro-choice stand.

The Carleton University women's centre has had $2000 withheld from this year's budget after coming under criticism for being too radical.

Although Jackson said the centre's constitution states it should fulfill an educational function, McGrath thinks this is not enough.

"The organization's role as a resource centre doesn't exclude adopting a political function as an advocate of women," said McGrath.

Jackson said the majority of the centre's members support current policy.

Disappointing Agreement Reached at Mt. Royal

CALGARY (CUP)—Mount Royal College faculty has voted to accept a two-year contract after almost a year of negotiations.

But many faculty members are unhappy with the agreement, which gives them a three per cent increase retroactive to July, 1983, and a 1.5 per cent increase this June, said faculty association president Roger Tierney.

He said the 75 per cent vote in favour of the contract was "one of the lowest ratification votes in 10 or 12 years. Normally, our ratification votes are 90 or 95 per cent in favour," he said.

Tierney thought the contract would have been turned down if faculty has not been given a week to mull over the offer.

Another thing MRC faculty has to think about was the possibility of post secondary education funding being frozen for the next two years.

Tierney said the two-year contract will give faculty members small wage increases at a time when MRC funding may be frozen.

"I don't think it's fabulous, but I think this is as far as we're going to get right now," said Tierney.

Faculty at Grant MacEwan College are looking at a tentative two-year contract which is slightly more lucrative than MRC's. The GMC contract would provide for a four per cent increase in the first year and a two per cent increase in the next.

Tierney said GMC is operating under a $900,000 surplus while MRC is trying to erase a deficit. This deficit may have had an effect of MRC's settlement.

Some faculty members viewed the agreement as a "donation" to MRC to help it through difficult times, according to Tierney.

African Students Fight "Colonialism"

MONTREAL (CUP)—The association of African Studdents at Concordia University has called the student association's decision to place them under trusteeship "colonialism."

The Concordia University Students Asssociation Judicial Board, which settle disputes between CUSA associations and members, made the decision in December after complaints of finanical irregularities and other problems in the association.

"This is typical," said association secretary Isaac Oteng. "They come in telling us what's best for us, and try to take away our independence. Well, we're an autonomous organization and they have no right."

"I come from Ghana," he said, "which was the first African nation to gain independence. Since I was born, Ive been free. I'll resign before I let CUSA take away my freedom."

Trusteeship was first considered in October, according to Judicial Board chairperson Martin Ranalli, citing an unclear and confusing constitution, unclear definition of membership status and lack of responsible system of financial controls, as reasons for the decision.

Oteng said the financial irregularities of last year were the responsibility of last year's executive, all of whom have left Concordia. "We should not be penalized for their mistakes," he said.

Sheaf Passes Test

SASKATOON (CUP)—It looks like the University of Saskatchewan student union will still have its student newspaper to kick around after all.

A student union committee set up last November to review complaints about the Sheaf newspaper has recommended the paper's funding be continued. The committee's report reaffirmed the need for a campus newspaper and rejected claims the paper does not allow students of different political outlooks to join the staff.

But student union president Beth Olley criticized the committee for not soliciting enough student input into its review and for focusing on the funding issue.

Committee chair Brad Macdonald said the committee concentrated on funding because the Sheaf is a separately incorporated paper.

"If a group is really to look into problems with structure, it has to be set up by the Sheaf publications society Board of Directors, or the collective, or have the sanction of the Sheaf to have any effect," he said.

Council struck the committee last term after a motion to completely withdraw the Sheaf's funding was presented. The Sheaf has also come under attack from campus engineers, who stacked the student society general meeting last term and voted to withdraw Sheaf funding.

Council voted to refer the committee's report to the paper's Board of Directors.

BC Gov't May Kill Grants

VANCOUVER (CUP)—The B.C. government is considering abolishing grants to students eligible for financial aid, according to a Canadian Federation of Students representative.

"I think there is an ideological battle being waged within the Social Credit caucus concerning student financial assistance," said CFS-Pacific chair Stephen Learey.

Learey said finance minister Hugh Curtis told him he personally favoured an all-loan student aid program and that the caucus was currently discussing the issue.

The B.C. government is wasting time on the issue because the amount of money involved is small in comparison to the other items in its budget, Learey charged.

"We're quite disturbed. Looking at recent history, it's apparent that the Socreds are totally moving away from grants," Learey said.

CFS made the following five recommendations to theGovernment:
*student assistance be maintained at 1982-83 levels with funding increases based on increases in demand,
*post-secondary education funding be brought in line with 1981-82 levels plus inflation,
all fedral funding increases be passed on to post-secondary institutions (last year the federal government increased its financial transfer to B.C. by eight per cent, the provincial government decreased university funding by four per cent),
*more money be spent on summer jobs (the current youth employment program provides for two months of summer employment at $600 per month),
*the universities ministry be eliminated and its functions be taken over by the education ministry.

government was arranged for under the Nov. 13 Kelowna agreement reached with Premier Bill Bennett and Operation Solidarity, a coalition of labour groups opposed to the provincial budget and accompanying legislation.

The government expressed its willingness to listen to groups concerned, but Curtis refused to comment on the presentation. He has promised to reply.

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fees—22 per cent at Simon Fraser University and more than 25 per cent at the University of Victoria, according to administrators.

College fees are set later in the spring.

But B.C. students do not intend to take the blows without a struggle.

"UBC will be looked at as a precedent for what's going to happen (at other institutions), says Stephen Learey, chair of the Canadian Federation of Students' Pacific region. He says the federation will co-ordinate province-wide protests at its upcoming general meeting.

And UBC students also plan further actions. "It's not over by any means," said Kevin Annett, a member of Students Against the Budget.

Tuition fees at UBC will vary from $1,300 in first year art to about $1,500 for professions and senior year art courses. Medical and dental students will pay about $2,000 annually.

Currently, the maximum available aid for a single student is $5,200. Under the government's all loan scheme for a degree, debt could reach $25,000 or $30,000 depending on program length.

Despite the massive fee increases, most UBC's 27,000 students ignored the funeral for wisdom organized by Students Against the Budget—an adhoc group which functions outside the student government.

The student union simultaneously held an all candidates meeting for its upcoming elections. Candidates barely mentioned UBC's funding crisis.

John Garneau, Science 4, who marched in the funeral procession, said it is unfortunate the campus is so apathetic.

"I can finance my way but I feel that many people with intelligence and the ability would not make it," he said.

"I guess individuals are scared to shout out, some are simply not concerned about others."

Two years ago, a similar funeral march drew 150 students when tuition fees jumped 32.8 per cent. They called it Black Tuesday.

Thursday's Board decision became one more black day for students here, in a year which may, before it's over, be labelled one of the blackest ever for B.C. students.

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Rock Video Captures Misogyny, Stupidity and Repetition

I keep saying over and over, "I must not think bad things," but it just doesn't work, I keep getting dangerous thoughts. Are UFO's alien drunk drivers from outer space? I hope not, especially if they observe what we sadistically refer to as entertainment.

It has often been conjectured that alien civilization learn about us from our radiated TV and radio signals. What are they getting from rock videos?

Obviously a healthy dose of misogyny, stupidity and repetitive ideas. Much of the blame for this rests in the origins of the lesisure-industrial complex. Most people assume that the products they consume in terms of entertainment exist solely for leisure-time activity, but they fail to realize the impact that these products have on culture.

Culture is that vast mucky area which we are all immersed, it is your sensory input divided by your thoughts. The unfortunate thing about people attempting to do anything about their culture is that the leisure-industrial complex isn't really keen about people doing their own thinking.

The commercial media has gone go-go over rock videos, pondering such questions as who will get rich from them how much was spent on them how frantically promoters and speculators are trying to get franchises and licenses for them and how rapidly consumer products can be sold. However, we are only getting a trickle about what these videos mean.

If you spend any time critically watching rock videos, one thing becomes apparent when the meaning of the average pop song is tied images, become obvious that few pop songs mean anything.

The initial reaction is one of "all that money, all that time and for what; just to amuse a few poor fools." You may think 'hey it's only rock and roll but I like it,' but the fact remains that it is contributing to your culture. All of those broken glasses, bullets, lockets and other trivial video language images do mean something, even though they come across as repetitive and not worth paying full attention to, it works for selling detergent, and it seems to be working for the selling of piece of vinyl, known generically as the rock'n roll record. The fact that the rock'n roll is getting farther away from the consumer is something to worry about.

Most people can't see the culture from the trees. Videos have a tremendous impact on our culture and how we can take control of it, but by packaging it as entertainment it gets treated as fluff and the leisure-industrial complex gets more time to use us as guinea pigs.

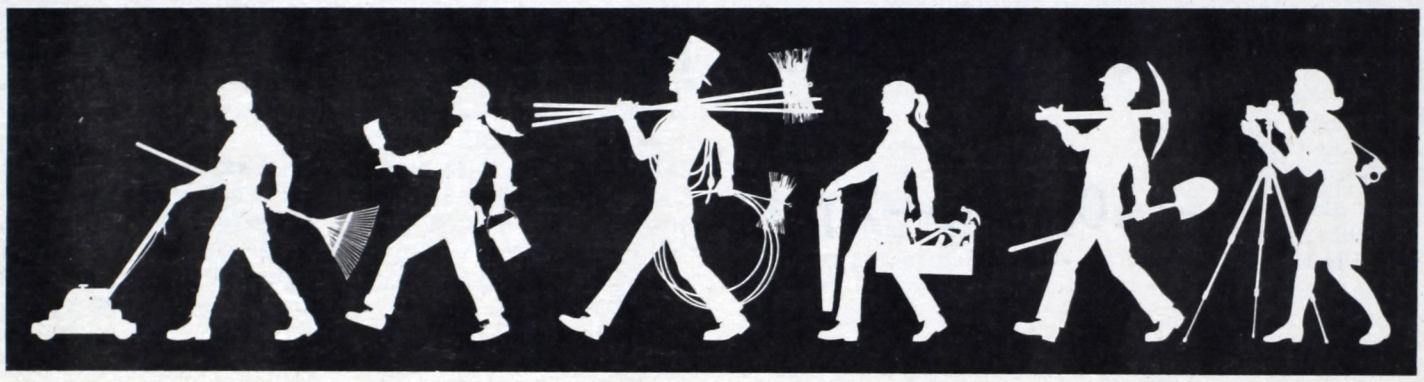
Presently, there is a great concern about the use of university research facilities for the creation of weapons for the military-industrial complex, but there is nary a peep about the work being done by the leisure-industrial complex. That is what has alien visitors worried. After all, any society which can master interstellar travel would hardly worry about nuclear weapons. Game shows worry them,soap operas worry them (but only when the bad people seem to be winning), jiggle shows really worry them Canadian content sit coms would worry, but nobody watches them. The only thing which has them sweating is rock videos.

After all gratuitous sex and violence might be fine in semi-pornographic pany-hose commercials, but are they really necessary in a song about a boy and his car?

Not only do rock videos imitate beer commercials, but they are being used as beer commercials. Rock promoters and people who buy lottery tickets are all frantic to get these mini-essays in living the good consumer life onto the small screen in your living room (the one they watch you talk to yourself through), that way they can sell you more zit cream and beer to make your life worth living.

Of course rock videos have some of the finest talents in the film industry working to provide the ultimate in special effects. A fine example is the **Thriller** video with Michael Jackson. After spending a million dollars, we get special effects of Jackson turning white before our eyes. This video has been banned in some countries because it gives children and people with a shred of intelligence nightmares. "Quick, Annie, get yer gun, the cultural cossacks are coming over the hills." said Earl passing along the newsflash which interrupted his music video program has fear crossed his bloated features.

"Fuck you," said Annie as she saddled up the pony to join them, "if you're going to think, don't jive, and if you are going to jive, don't think."

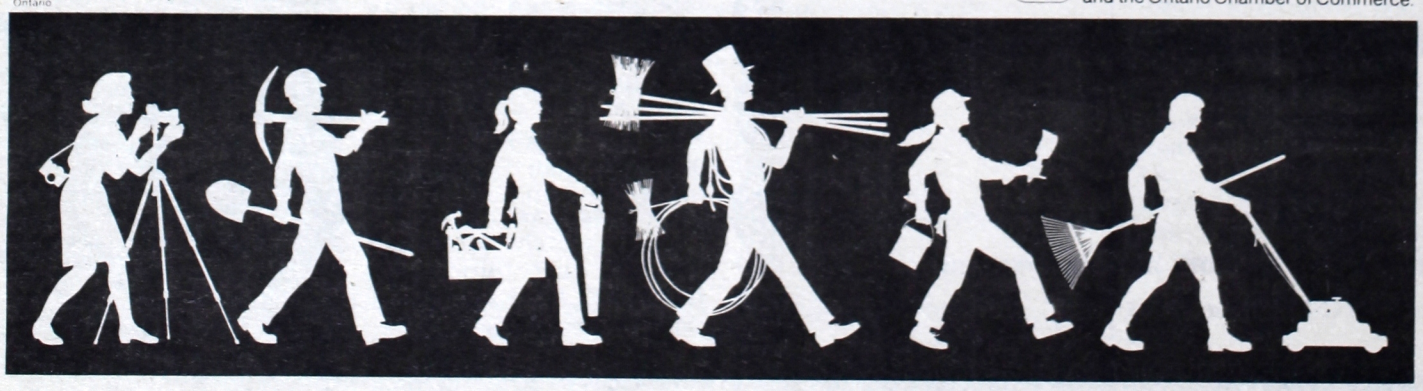


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Hockey Vees in Third Place

The Laurentian University Hockey Voyageurs had no difficulty in sweeping a weekend series against the Ryerson Rams. On Saturday, the Vees got off to a slow start but three unanswered goals gave them the victory by an 8-4 score. Mike Hickey had a field day as he collected 5 pts. on three goals and 2 assists. Other goal scorers for Laurentian were Jeff Groom with two goals, Rob McGregor, Peter Kiernan, and Ivan Zanatta with 1 goal each.

On Sunday, Laurentian defeated the Rams by a 6-2 score with Ivan Zanatta collecting 4 pts on 2 goals and 2 assists, Mike Hickey also collected 4 pts on 4 assists to give him a total of 9 pts on the weekend. Other goal scorers for LUon Sunday were Peter Kiernan, Eddie Battiston, Steve Whitmore and John Mooney with 1 goal each. With these 4 pts Laurentian moves into 3rd place in the OUAA standings behind Toronto and Laurier.

Laurentian's next action is next weekend when they face Brock University for their final two games of the season.

Basketball Playoffs???

The men's basketball team chalked up two victories over the weekend in Kingston. On Friday, the Voyageurs battled Royal Military College to an 87 to 72 victory as Jeff McKibbon and Bill Sandblom collected 18 points apiece with Mike Minicola firing in 18 pts for the Redmen. Laurentian led by 17 points at halftime by a score of 49 to 32.

The following night, the Voyageurs met the Queen's Golden Gaels and came out on top with a 77 to 75 win. The Vees held a 10 point advantage at the half 41 to 31. Jeff McKibbon, last week's CIAU athlete of the week, kept up his torrid scoring pace as he slammed in 35 points and collected 8 rebounds. Laurentian now has 7 wins and 4 losses for 14 points and third place in OUAA standings.

Lady Vees Continue Winning

On Friday night, the Laurentian Lady Vees continued their winning streak as they downed the Queen's Golden Gals 74-52. The Lady Vees got off to a sluggish start, but still led 31-25 at the half. Laurentian took control of the second half as they out-scored the Golden Gals 43-27. The victory was an all around team effort as everyone on the team scored. Lori Kenopic was the top scorer for the Lady Vees with 19 pts; she collected 16 pts. in the second half. The other top scorers for the Vees were Sandy Stevenson with 13 pts., Marion Waschulzik, Anne Rimes and Debbie Aschaber with 10 pts.

The Lady Vees are in first place in the OWIAA East Division with 10 wins and 0 losses. Next weekend the Lady Vees travel to Toronto for games against Ryerson and Toronto. This is the last regular season action for the Lady Vees as the weekend of February 17, 18, 19 they head of U of Toronto for the OWIAA Finals.

Lady Vees Curling Finishes Season

The Laurentian Women's Curling squad travelled to Guelph this weekend to compete in their second bonspiel of the season. On Saturday, the Vees picked up two wins and one loss as they downed the University of Western Ontario 8 to 4, the University of Windsor 8 to 1 while they dropped a 4 to 2 decision to the Waterloo Athenas. Sunday afternoon's action saw the Laurentian team suffered a pair of defeats... a 13 to 2 loss to Wilfrid Laurier and a close 10 to 9 downfall to the host Guelph rink. Coach Carol "Babe" Chambers indicated that the Lady Vees displayed some very competitive curling play, however, Lady Luck just was not with them as they lost some close ends.

Laurentian finishes the season with a 2 wins and 5 losses overall record. Unfortunately, their record does not qualify them for the post season play round to be held in Guelph next weekend. Wilfrid Laurier, Queen's, Guelph and Waterloo compete for the OWIAA championship.

Ice Hockey Vees Lose Hold on Second Place

The surprise of the weekend took place in Windsor as the Laurentian Hockey team dropped a pair of crucial games against the University of Windsor Lancers. Going into this weekend, the Vees found themselves in 2nd place in the OUAA but after this weekend's action (i.e. 2 losses!), they could drop as low as 4th of 5th. Saturday, Laurentian's defensive game suffered severly as the Lancers penetrated for 9 goals en route to a 9 to 5 win. Vees marksmen were Ivan Zanatta with two, Eddie Battiston, Steve Pariegis and Mike Hickey.

On Sunday afternoon it was much the same story as the Vees dropped a 9-5 decision. Laurentian's goal scorers were Mike Hickey with a hat trick, Steve whitmore, Ivan Zanatta and Peter Kiernan with one goal each. Laurentian's next action will be next weekend as they face U of T, the top team in OUAA.

Woman's Intramural

On Tuesday, January 31, at 9 p.m., the University of Sudbury defaulted to the Penthouse Sweets. At 10 p.m., the SSR Honolulu's defaulted to the UC 67's. At 11 p.m., the Thorneloe Thunderbirds defeated the LeeLee Pads by a score of 24 to 14. Top Scorer for Thorneloe was Carolyn Thompson with 16 points.

On Thursday, February 2, at 9 p.m., the Ulcerette Uglies defeated the UC 67's by a score of 49 to 20. Top scorer for the Ulcerette Uglies was Tarja Koivisto with 18 points. At 10 p.m., the J-Birds defeated the Thorneloe Thunderbirds by a score of 22 to 20. Top scorer for the J-Birds was Nancy McNern with 8 points. Top scorer for Thorneloe was Carolyn Thompson with 8 points.

Men's Intramural

The regular season came to an end last Thursday night in the A Division of the Men's basketball league.

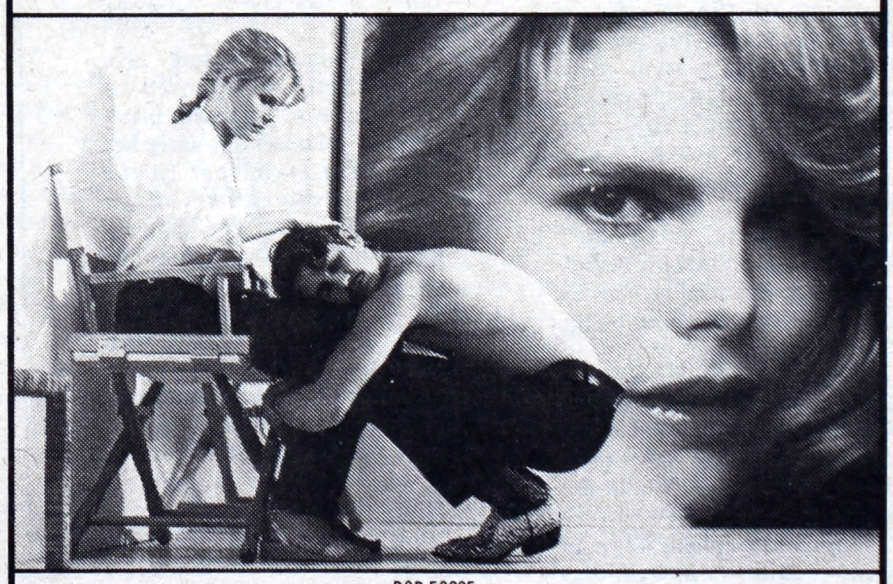
The Mafia took first place in the Blue Section with a perfect 5-0 record. They will meet the winner of the division semi-final between the Chicken Chokers who finished second with a 4-1 record and the E Lakers third place finishers with 3 wins and 2 losses.

In the CLASSIC Section, the Faculty Selects also finished with a perfect record 5-0. They will meet the winner of the semi-final between U of Sudbury (3-1) and UC Towers (2-2).

In the B Division, one last game remains to be played and it will decide the final standings. The Beaver Patrol are already assured of a spot in the playoffs with their 3 wins and 1 default. The next three qualifiers remain unknown with one game left.

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Battleship Bette Strikes First

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TORONTO—The battle has begun: Over Christmas, while students recovered from exams and essays, Ontario's redoubtable Minister of Colleges and Universities, Dr. Bette Stephenson, struck the first blow by announcing the creation of a three member commission to "reshape" the province's university system.

By this summer the commission, chaired by corporate kingpin Edmund Boey, will have produced a detailed "operational plan" for state intervention in the university sector. Stephenson has called for the creation of "highly specialized, designated purpose institutes to replace many of the general education universities the province now enjoys.

In her Dec. 15 announcement to the Ontario legislature Stephenson said the "time has come in the relationship between the government and the universities for the government to exercise leadership through a short-term intervention in the planning process."

But Stephenson's "short-term intervention" means permanent restructuring and many observers wonder just what will be left of Ontario's universities if the government has its way.

Bill Jones, president of the Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Associations (OCUFA), thinks the mandate Stephenson has given the Bovey Commission amounts to a declaration of war on Ontario universities—a move to suspend university autonomy and make radical funding cuts.

"Automony is something you have at the government's pleasure," Jones said in a recent interview. "They take it back whenever they feel like it and give you the system back whenever they feel like it.

"She (Stephenson) has given up on the attempt to obtain adequate funding for the university system. And she's looking for arguments to justify what she's done. She says, "We're going to end university autonomy for the moment because of the situation of financial stringency," but there's no acknowledgement that financial stringency has been brought about by her own government."

Ontario's universities have faced a funding reduction of 25 per cent in real dollar terms since 1974, while enrolment has increased62 per cent in the same period.

Jones said Stephenson's plan lacks credibility and on that basis OCUFA has called for her resignation. "I think she's not credible when she's aiming to produce a very rigid system, a system that won't be flexible or adaptive," he said.

Stephenson has rejected the call for her resignation and she refuses to answer questions about the Bovey Commission's mandate, but other politicians are less reticient. NDP education critic Richard Allen said he thinks government intervention in the university system could become habit forming and thus pose a serious threat to academic freedom.

Independent observers agree. York University assistant professor Paul Axelrod, author of **Scholars and Dollars** a recent study of university expansion and contraction in the 1945-80 period, said academics have retained their freedom to do research and express their believes, but he warned that the kinds of intervention proposed by the government could change things for the worse.

Autonomy, academic freedom endangered.

"These kind of things may ultimately erode basic academic freedom and that's the danger. I don't see it yet, but I don't think it's too far away if they (the government) keep moving in this draconian direction," Axelrod said.

Not all observers, however, believe government intervention is necessarily dangerous. Liberal education critic Sean Conway said he thinks the Ontatio legislature has the right to intervene, if intervention is warranted by the circumstances.

"When the public treasury is called upon to expend hundreds of millions of dollars (on the universities), those people who are the recipients of that support have to expect an interest by the legislature and the public generally as to how the system is operated, how it is structured.

"I'm not under any illusion as a liberal that a community in receipt of millions of taxpayers' dollars is somehow immune to examination and, yes, intervention, if the situation is so desperate," Conway said.

But whether they are sympathetic or opposed to Stephenson's proposed intervention, all observers agree her December statement to the legislature represents a major policy decision. The Ontario government will not fund the current university system to the national average; instead, it will further reduce the system and either save more money or pay the same for a smaller post-secondary sector. If it chooses the latter course, it may eventually be able to claim it spends the same per student on the universities as other provinces in Canada.

Let's say we're talking about getting funding up on a per student basis to the national average. What that really means is reducing the system by 25 per cent in terms of student enrolments," Allen said, interpreting Tory Intentions.

Conway agreed. "The government is picking up on the alternative that would have to pursued if the government were not prepared to fund the system to the minimum levels. It's clear the government is not prepared to pay that price.

Restructuring codeword for cutbacks.

"Underfunding has been a significant problem for the decade of 1974-84, but I would argue that an even more serious problem has been the volatility or unreliability of financing. You can't plan a system of any magnitude with that kind of unreliability," Conway said.

OCUFA's Bill Jones explains the policy decision simply. "I think the options for restructuring are a codeword for cutbacks; they're based upon the naive assumption that if the government closes four of 16 universities or providing for the 16. But I programs it will somehow provide the funding it was providing for the 16. But I don't think that's going to happen. If they are successful in cutting back the system they'll cut back the funding proportionally; maybe not right away, but sooner or later, and we'll wind up with a smaller system that is underfunded in its turn."

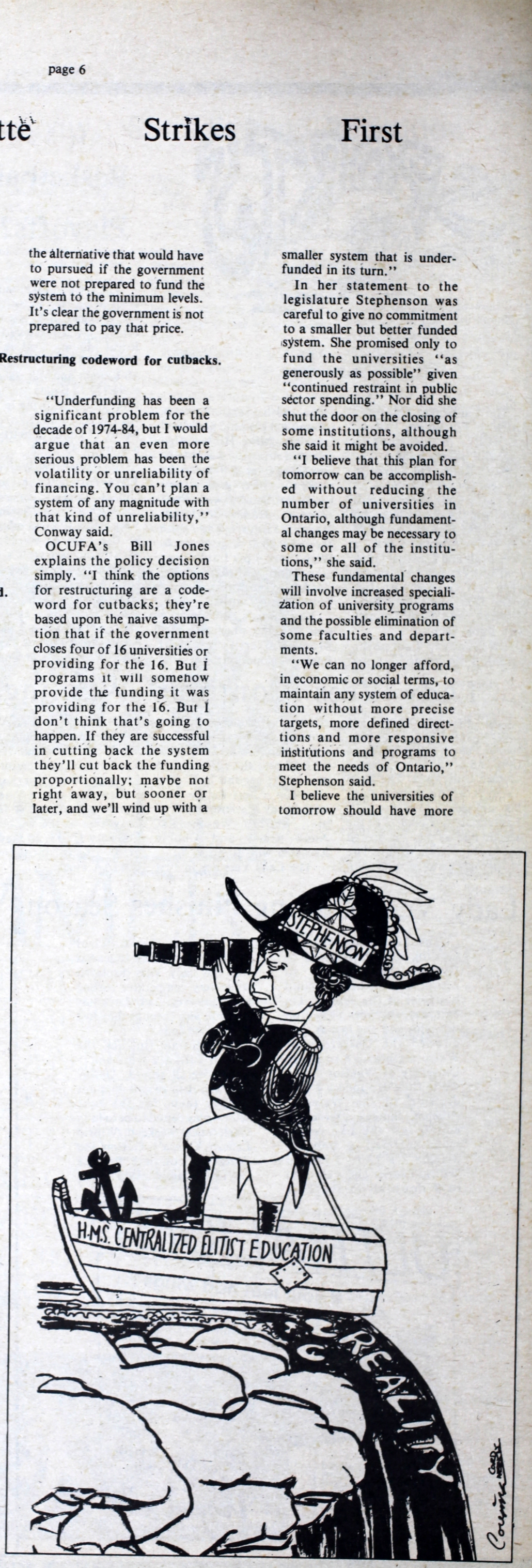
In her statement to the legislature Stephenson was careful to give no commitment to a smaller but better funded system. She promised only to fund the universities "as generously as possible" given "continued restraint in public sector spending." Nor did she shut the door on the closing of some institutions, although she said it might be avoided.

"I believe that this plan for tomorrow can be accomplished without reducing the number of universities in Ontario, although fundamental changes may be necessary to some or all of the institutions," she said.

These fundamental changes will involve increased specialization of university programs and the possible elimination of some faculties and departments.

"We can no longer afford, in economic or social terms, to maintain any system of education without more precise targets, more defined directtions and more responsive institutions and programs to meet the needs of Ontario," Stephenson said.

I believe the universities of tomorrow should have more



Blow in University Battle

clearly defined, different distinctive roles. Each of them should assume a character and structure that is consistent and compatible with that role."

University specialization already fact of life.

Once again, observers are unanimous in their incredulity. OCUFA, the Council of Ontario Universities (COU), the opposition critics and students of the province's university system agree that the universities have already become more specialized in response to economic and social needs.

Both the NDP and Liberal opposition critics cited example of universityadaptattion and specialization without government intervention.

"I think it's obvious there has been an increasing amount of specialization in the system over time," Allen said. "Institutions like Waterloo are developing highly specialized responses to the new technology and to industrial needs. There are various institutions that exist in the universities now to facilitate that interchange of industry and university research activity. And that's happening more and more, even without this commission."

Conway cited communities with two universities that have learned to live together without inappropriate duplication of programs. In Kitchener-Waterloo Wildrid Laurier and Waterloo Universities cooperate to coexist, as do Carleton University and the University of Ottawa.

"Those institutions have been very creative and progressive at developing programs that are complementary and differentiated from one another," Conway said.

Given the degree of specialization that has already occured in the universities, both York's Paul Axelrod and OCUFA's Bill Jones said they believe government intervenion could make the university system inadaptive, inflexible and ultimately incapable of responding to economic and social needs.

"I think it will be impossible for the universities ever to adapt in precisely the way Stephenson is suggesting," Axelrod said. There's always this incredible time lag between the changing technology outside the university and how that finally makes itself felt in the university. The more specialized the universities become, the wider the gap between what's going on outside and what you can do inside will become."



Jones said Stephenson's proposals will result in "an overspecialized system that would not be capable or responding to change."

Furthermore, overspecialization could undermine the arts and science programs that are at the heart of university education and research.

"I think the univerisities could, as a result of this kind of restructuring, be significantly weaker, because in the long run all of them are able to argue quite cogently that it's in those core arts and science programs that the foundation exists for the later, more refined research activities," Allen said.

So, if "restructuring" nd "specialization" have already taken place to a signifcant degree in Ontario's university sytem, why has Stephenson decided to flog the proverbial dead horse by giving the Bovey Commission a mandate to plan what is already a fait accompli. The answer lies partly in the Tory desire for further restraint, partly in the government's readiness to ~~tak~~ credit for something it has done little to bring about.

Restraint of the universities beyond the already stringent controls on the rest of the public sector is motivated by a loss of faith in the economic utility of higher education.

"You begin to find economists in the early 70s revising their views when they saw governments wanted to cut back instead of spend more and when they saw university graduates underemployed or unemployed. The investment wasn't paying off. So they rebuilt their economic models to justify spending less (on the universities)," Axelrod said.

And he points out that there has been a major shift in attitude toward higher education among politicians and businessmen in the last decade. During the expansionary period of20-25 years ago business favored general education. "They opposed heavy specialization of the universities. They said they didn't want people who were narrowly trained that they couldn't adapt; they wanted people who could think, who could be creative. I think that's the kind of role the university can play in the economy," Axelrod said.

The Tory government may also want to claim credit for the adaptation that has already occurred. Allen said he thinks the Bovey Commission will produce a report that "reflects a good deal of what's happening and makes a few suggestions with respect to it. The minister then will be able to claim that something very substantial has happened" as a result of the commission's work. "Most people out there don't realize the extend to which specialization has gone, the extent of university-industry interface," Allen sai.

Cutbacks and political cudos are the spoils Stephenson is fighting for. Her opponents are after adequate funding for the system and the educational and research opportunities that implies.

OCUFA plans a public campaign against rationalization. "We're committed to showing the public they're getting tremendous value for very little money spent on universities. She (Stephenson); says the universities cost $1.1 billion a year. That's about $275 per average taxpayer and that's not a lot of money.

"There's going to be a tremendous fight in the legislature, no doubt about that. What we want to do , prior to that fight, is create the conditions which will really make it impossible for these cutback proposals to be implemented, to make the public aware of what they will lose if Stephenson's blueprint is put into practice. We have to act now to create the climate in which legislation to implement that bluepring just won't wash with the public."

So, while the Bovey Commission plans tactics, Ontario's university community plans its response. The battle lines are drawn.

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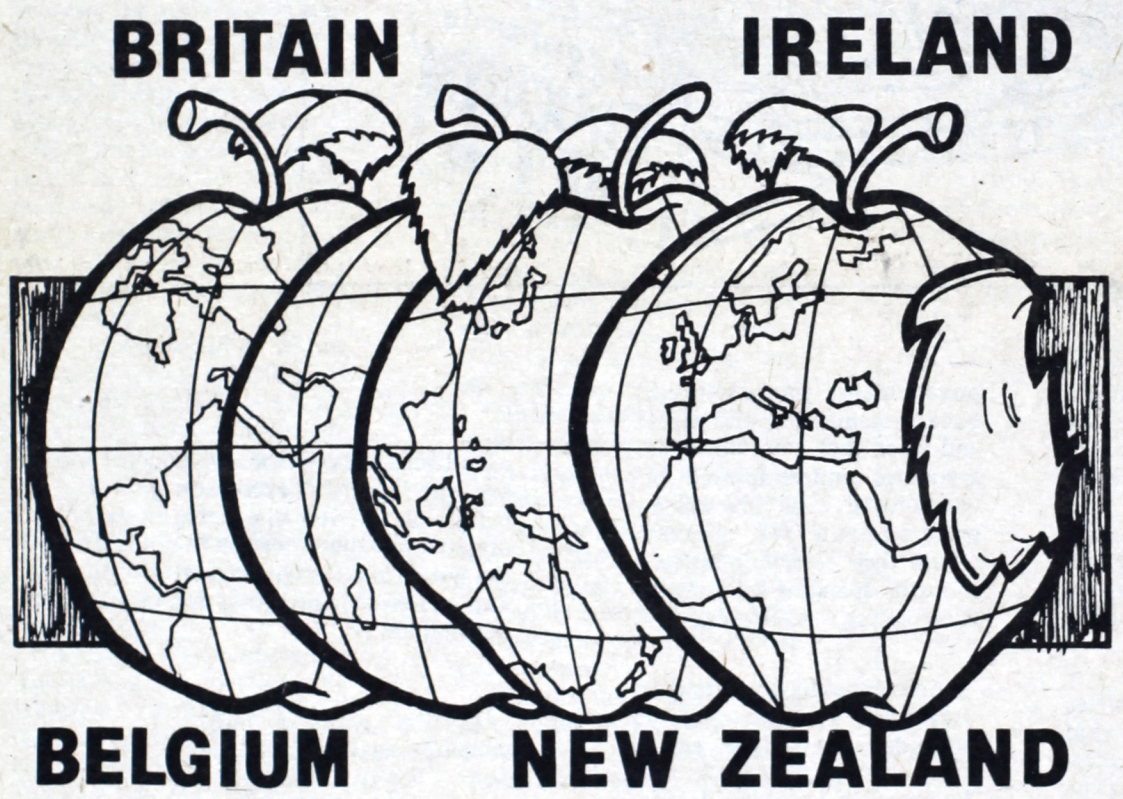
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Upon arrival in London, SWAP provides you with 2 free nights in a centrally located student hostel. For the longer term, the London SWAP Centre has started a new accommodation service for the 1984 programme. Upon your arrival at the SWAP Centre, we will line you up with other participants as 'instant flat-mates', (Translation: flat = apartment). We will then send you and your friends off to check out a potential residence. We will also provide you information on the London rental scene so you won't be going 'in cold' to talk to the landlord. Former participants have usually lived in groups of 4 to 8 and pay rents in the range of 20 to 25 pounds sterling per week or less!

3. Programming

In order to enhance your working-holiday, the SWAP Centre is increasing various activities available to you. Each month there will be a big party involving all participants and on a regular basis a host of activities ranging from a 'mixed' softball league (equipment provided by TRAVEL CUTS), 'Nights at the Theatre', mini pub crawls, mini-cycling tours, etc. For interested participants, the SWAP Centre will organize evenings of discussion with British Members of Parliament and local government officials.

The Centre also provides helpful tips on where to eat and shop, on where to rent a bicycle, on travel and on places of interest. The Centre aims to provide a pleasant atmosphere to welcome you to London and to help you in solving any problems that arise. Participants may use the services of the SWAP Centre to post messages and information on our bulletin board and as a mailing address for letters from home.

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Strokers' Box

Hello all you strokers and Strokettes.

It seems that no RAMMS have written the Stroker's Box for some time now. What has happened? Could it be that there were too many complaints, or is it just lack of enthusiasm? Maybe it's because things in Res. have just not been interesting enough to write about. If that's the case, c'mon Strokers, let's get our act together.

Second Gold's New Year's Eve Party was a tremendous success. The music was great and everyone had a good (noisy) time when the long-awaited hour rolled around. We even noticed a few budding romances...D.B. & K.W., R.P. & K.L., D.H. & B.C.

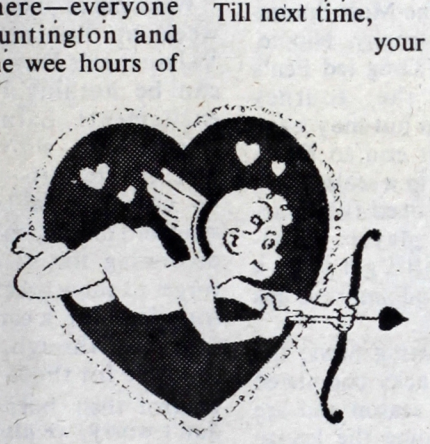
The Second Annual Snow fest Carnival came and went for another year. The chili was delish, as were the pancakes in the morning. Everyone who played ball hockey had a good time. The dance in La Forge Saturday was quite crowded and we managed to consume all the beer. No doubt a few friendships were forged that night. However the party didn't end there—everyone moved to Huntington and partied 'till the wee hours of the night. Second Brown were the winners in the floor competition. Way to go, guys. So tell us, how many cases of beer did you buy with the prize? Congrats to T.P. and all of C.C. for a super job.

To kick off the Laurentian Carny Week, was the SPAS—Oops, we mean SPAD Hockey tournament. Thanks to all the fans who came out to support our team in the feature game against UC. Congrats to G.R. for a fine coaching job, and to D.R. who won the Most Sportsman-Like Award and D.B. who won the Most Valuable Player Award. However our team suffered one casualty. Take care of the leg, P.L.

The Carnival Activities continued, as did the partying. Our men's Chug team, made up of P.L., P.G., H.P. & J.B. made it to the semi-finals. Although our girls didn't fare too well in the standings, they all had a good time. Way to go L.S., C.M., J.G. & M.D. In the Women's ball hockey, our girls did very well. They lost by one point to Huntington in the finals. We're proud of you, girls.

More on sports next week.... Till next time,

your ever-loving
RAMMS



Stroker's Box Version Two

Hi there, Strokers and Strokettes.

We thought since half of residence had cleared out this weekend, it would be pretty quiet, but no way! U of S was a-rocking, right 1st Brown? The Brew Crew had their annual get-together, with music generously provided by G.L. But tempers were flaring over the DJ's taste in sound. What's wrong R.F., is living with Tchurd rubbing off on you? 1st Red was also in fine form that evening. Hey guys, since when does a caps game start at lunch hour? Their infamous leader was unable to stand (as usual), but did he get lucky as well?? And guess who was on the prowl? Is res. life getting to be too much for you mark?

Is being in 3rd year and running La Forge too much for you to handle P.C. and D.B.? Word has it that you've been shirking your responsibilities, or is Head all worked up about nothing?

A quick review of the week. We hear that B.B. was unable to control his "urges" in the kitchen. M.M. had another attempt at making a slob of himself. 3rd Red finally won a ball hockey game against short-handed 2nd Gold—LOSERS!!! Our B team won a first play-off game in years. The chug team put up a good fights, but missing a vital member of last year's team, did not achieve the same success.

On the romantic front, one more fling, has C.O. been giving you a private show F.L.?

Things to watch for: Will there be another "Waste 1st Red" party this weekend? And don't miss the gruesome battle on ice between 3rd Gold and 3rd Brown!

Stay tuned for details of 1st Gold's Bizzarre II.

Bye for now,

Your ever-loving,
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P.S. Is there life on 3rd Blue?



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Howie Gets Married

I'd like to apologize for the poor performance of Oppy and Wop. Maybe someday they'll help me write Unicornia. It's irresponsible people like them, who ruin it for others.

Well, for starters, I hope everyone had a good Carny Week, especially you frosh who are new to events. All events were well run except for the car pub rally. So we can blame that one on George! The Siamese Carfones (long bone and no bone) provided entertainment at the chugs. No Bone displaying her expertise in chugging and long bone displayed his talent of hurling. The Band "Area Code", was great although Wilma and Adrea missed most of it. They were focusing their attention on lower units. The Spoons as usual gave us a good show, and so did Terry, Newf, and Kim. (Terry, you'll have to come back next year and see them.)

The three legged pub-crawl is my favorite event. Why? TINKLE. TINKLE. Besides that it was good to see the cutters, especially the Jap. If you like that type of music, you would have had fun Saturday night. But the majority of us decided to get drunk instead. The only highlight was Bobber's stamping display. Council was not to blame. The booking was done by the SGA.

As I had earlier predicted the UC Pintmeyers won the ball hockey championships for the fourth consecutive time. The question in most people's minds now is, "Will the PINTMEYERS retire?" With a queen like Lea, it's a tough decision. Special mention to Nipper for his excellent scouting procedure.

Sunday night was the Leftover-Longhorn game, which left the Longhorns victorious. Gator left the crowd in awe with his moonwalk at centre ice!

Well I'm sure like the rest of you, there's homework to be caugnt up on. So take care and I'll see you next wee,. (Maybe Oppy and Wop will help me next time!)

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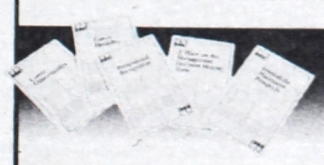
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Huntington Highlites

By The Hawk

The Spad Floor Hockey Tournament highlighted the week's activities as Boob Dempster ran a great tourney. Huntington's own Puckeaters slashed and hacked their way to a 1 win 2 loss record, but the true nature of Huntington showed through as the boys carried away the Most Sportsmanlike team trophy. Nipple, Fen, Pete and Greg led Fen's Friends to the tourney championship but may have put an abrupt end to Fen's varsity career. In a sealed poll, Popeye was voted the tourney's dirtiest player. Hopefully Boob will "get it up a little more" and improve his public speaking.

In other sporting news, the Huntington Hacks completed an undefeated season and are currently pursuing the leauge title. Coaches Beaker and Sparky have been flooded for interviews by the local media and are worried that the media pressure will affect the girl's game.

The B hockey team's season came to an abrupt end last week as they were defeated in overtime in playoff quarterfinals. Coaches Tom "I'm Burned Out and Itchy" Clarke and Martin Luther were pleased with the boy's efforts this season. It was a tearful dressing room after the game as the players bid farewell to the ending intramural hockey careers of Scotty, Cheese, Franco, Bunko, and Wingy.

Tryouts for the C Team will open shortly and Coach Norval predicts a tough competitive season for the squad. Qualifications for this elite team include the inability to skate and the ability to drink between shifts. The girl's hockey teams are also in the midst of dryland training in preparation for their upcoming season.

In social notes, Johnny Two Step vowed to "put his foot down" put couldn't resist a trip to London last weekend. Chico took a "pants-down" approach to a game of musical beds to the delight of many second floor girls.

Till next time.

Thorneloe Thunder

T-Birds:

Welcome to another 'bonus' week at Thorneloe! With Valentines's Day upon us it can be nothing but mega-excitement! Saturday will allow us to show off our excellent talents—whether it be carrying table for the spaghetti dinner, cooking it, or decorating for it! Oh...don't forget to show others how you truly feel with a carnation.

Beware though, the pink ones are for those who can't control their hormones! But don't worry, we also have one for true love, interested and honest to goodness friendship!

This past week was also jumping. The girl's basketball team won their first game, 24-14 in playoff action to the LeeLee Pads. This was due to their excellent teamwork and great passing ability but their wit and flare was not enough to overcome the Blue Jays. They lost 20-22 in the last minute of play. Carolyn Thompson was high scorer in both games.

The guys 2nd floor basketball team are still going strong. The Nads have been undefeated as they go into the playoffs.

Two weekends ago was the annual Thorneloe Ball Hockey Tournament, which found both teams in the semi-finals. The girl's team won the consellation round. Thorneloe would like to extend a special thank you to all those who participated. Finally, congrats to the winning teams, the UC Pintmeyers (for the fourth year) and the Huntington girls.

There was still more playoff action for the T-birds' guys hockey team. Unfortunately, they lost their last game 2-6 to the Strokers. Good try guys—Let's hope the girls do as well.

Happy Valentine's Day! and I hope to see you all Saturday night at the Dance

The Byrd

UB: Four and Half Star English Reggae Band

U.B. 40 is an English reggae band. One critic (Frank-John Hadley, a writer for Downbeat magazine) has described their sound as a distinctive style of "roots reggae", but I'm not sure that I agree. Certainly their music sounds more like reggae than anything else, but, at least to my ears, some pop and jazz influences are also obvious.

Still, "roots reggae" or not, the music of their fourth album (entitled U.B. 40) is GOOD. The beat is irresistable the arrangements are intelligent, and the songs are catchy without being overly repetitive. Much of the band's immediate appeal stems from the strength of the rhythm section, which in this case includes not only the bassist, drummer and percussionist, but also the guitar and key board players. On the whole, the rhythm section plays with appropriate simplicity, and their parts complement each other wonderfully. The overall sound is layered with interesting and at times really unusual textures, especially from their percussionist and the keyboard player.

The possibilities of sound combinations in a band of this size (eight members) have certainly not been left unexplored.

The singer delivers the songs with a lot of emotion, which is good, because it gives the music a sort of warmth, even when the tone is angry. As is perhaps typical of reggae, the lyrics can remind you of reading the newspaper, while the tunes themselves are really catchy. This sort of happy/sad quality to the music is something I'm fond of, but this, of course is a matter of taste only.

So, U.B. 40 is a good album, definitely worth buying; "four and half stars." They probably won't ever be really popular in North America, though; the songs are too long for the radio, and the lyrics are too angry. Still, this is probably just as well, because it'll help save their music from sounding stale.

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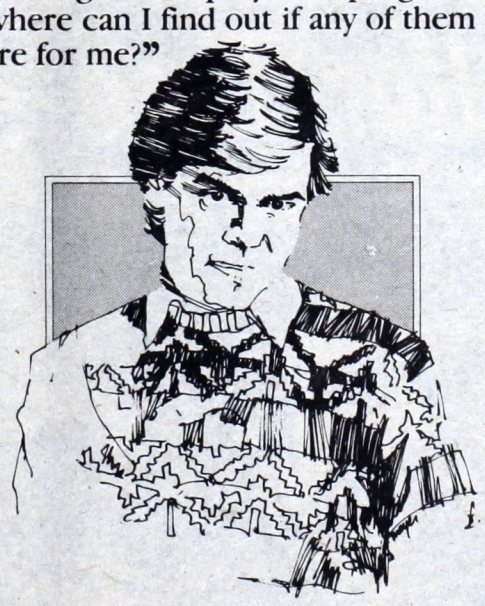


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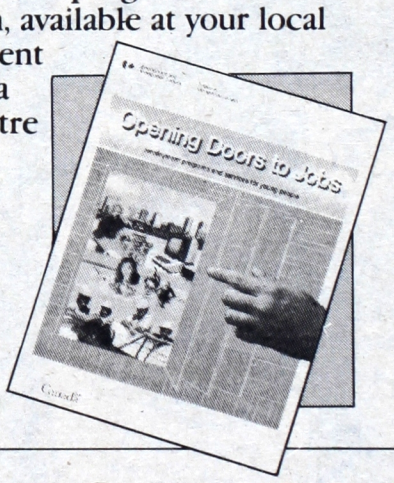
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